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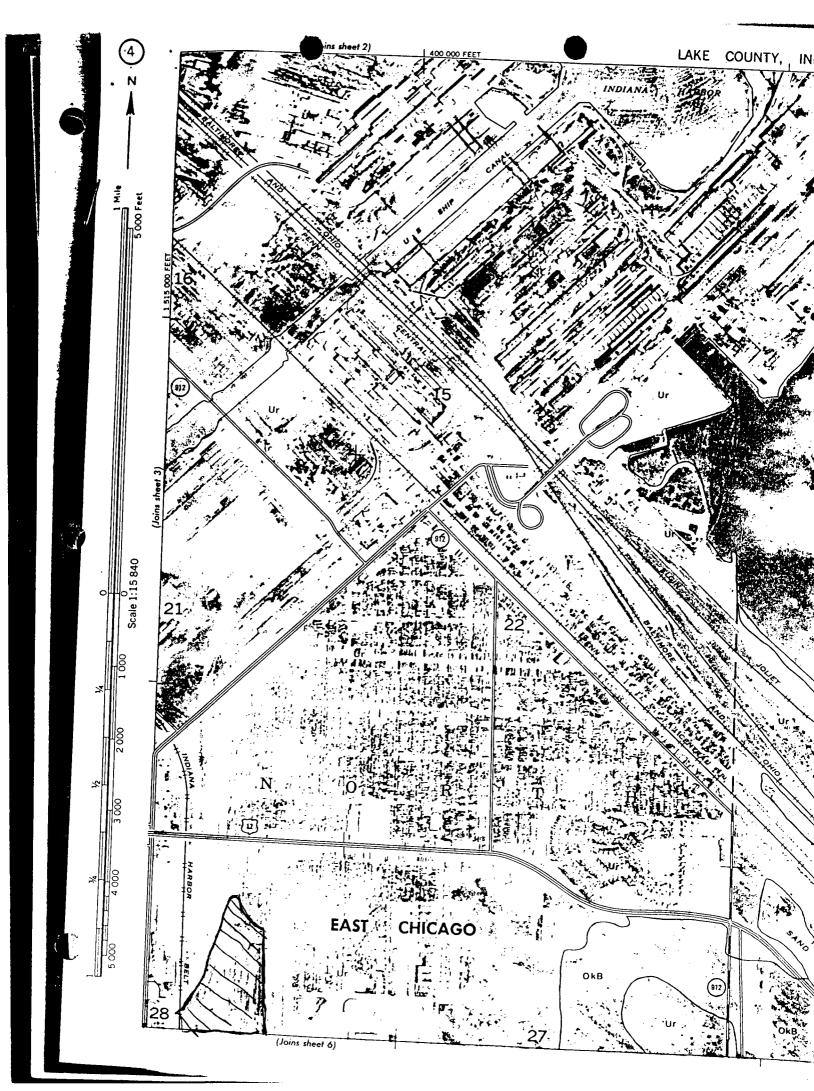
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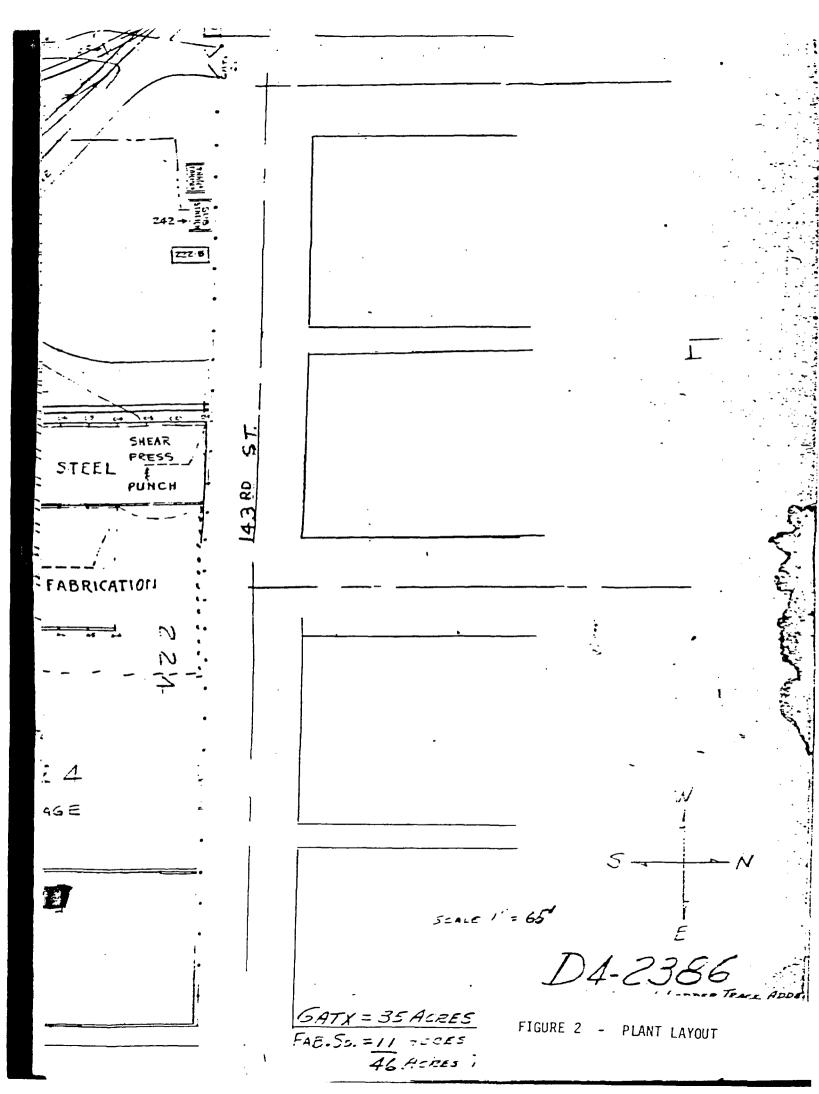
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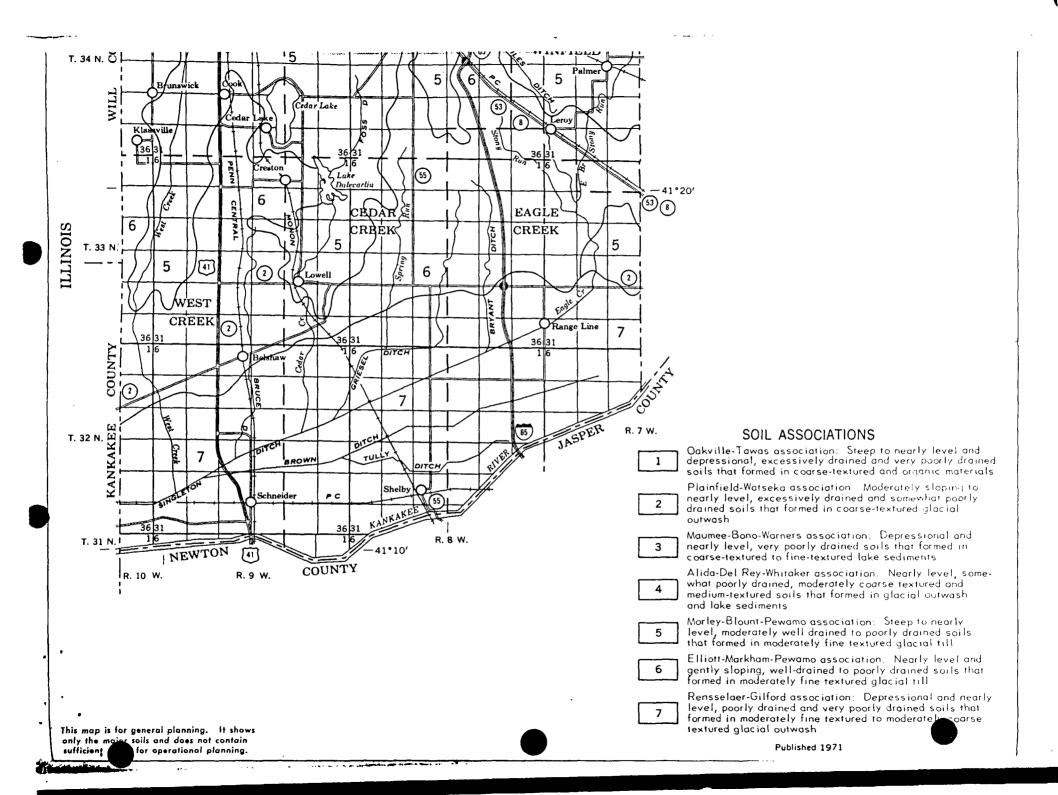
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PREPARED BY:	BRUCE OERTEL Site Investigation Section	DATE:	6-20-39
REVIEWED BY:	ANDR. Aug Harry Atkinson, Whief Site Investigation Section	DATE:	6/27/89
APPROVED BY:	EPA Project Manager	DATE:	







### CERCLIS EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

EPA ID# <u>IND000715078</u>	SITE RECONNAISSANCE X YESNO
Revised Company Name:	
Original Company Name:	General American Transport Corp. Plant #1
Alias Names:	GATX
Address	4520 Euclid Avenue  East Chicago, IN 46312  Lake County 89 County Code 10 Cong. Dist.
Coordinates:	41° 38' 00" Latitude 87° 27' 30" Longitude
	enerator Treatment, Storage, Disposal (TSD)
PRIORITY ASSESSMENT:	HIGH MEDIUM X NO FURTHER REMEDIAL ACTION PLANNED (NFRAP)
CLASS:	I-STATE LEAD II-REM/FIT LEAD State Accompanies
	State Comments:
cleaned hopper type rail Potentially Hazardous Wa Total RCRA closure was of sampling of soils and pa #204 was found to have a was sand blasted and pla off-site. The facility into Mar Steel, United F See attached plat map.	asport Corporation (GATX) manufactured, repaired, and cars. GATX ceased operation on May 21, 1984.  Sets were generated only during Railcar painting.  Sertified by IDEM in February 1988. Closure included into overspray in paint shops. Overspray in building in EP Toxic lead level of 19 mg/l. The paint residue iced in 55 gallon drums, manifested and transported has been sold to five (5) new owners and subdivided sail Services, United Lining Corporation, and Jay West. No evidence remains of any hazardous material as a relion of the site. The State recommends No Further
	STATE INVOLVEMENT
	ary Assessments Site Inspection Hazard Ranking System (HRS)
* COMPLETE DOCUMENTS (C)	REVIEW DOCUMENTS (R)
Prepared by: Bruce A. C Reviewed by: Harry E. A Activity Time: 30 Hou	tkinson opp An

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## POTENTIAL HAZARDOUS WASTE SITE PRELIMINARY ASSESSMENT PART 2 - WASTE INFORMATION

- 1	I. IDENTIFICATION				
		02 SITE NUMBER			

WASTES	TATES, QUANTITIES, AI	ND CHARACTER	ISTICS				
	TATES (Check all that apply)	02 WASTE QUANT		03 WASTE CHARACT	ERISTICS (Check all that a	opply)	
LI A. SOLID LI B. POWDER, FINES LI G. GAS LI D. OTHER		(Measures of waste quantities must be independent)  TONS  CUBIC YARDS		O3 WASTE CHARACTERISTICS (Check all that a)  Li A. TOXIC  Li B. CORROSIVE  Li F. INFEC  Li C. RADIOACTIVE  Li G. FLAMI  Li D. PERSISTENT  L. H. IGNITA		UBLE LJ I, HIGHLY VOLATILE CTIOUS LJ J. EXPLOSIVE MABLE LJ K. REACTIVE	
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. WASTE T	YPE						
ATEGORY	SUBSTANCE	NAME	01 GROSS AMOUNT	02 UNIT OF MEASURE	03 COMMENTS		
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OLW	OILY WASTE		<u> </u>				
SOL	SOLVENTS						
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BAS	BASES						
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### POTENTIAL HAZARDOUS WASTE SITE PRELIMINARY ASSESSMENT ART 1 - SITE INFORMATION AND ASSESSMEN

I. IDENTIFICATION
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IN 000715078

PART 1 - SITE INFOR	MATION A	ID ASSESSME	NT IN I	000715078
II. SITE NAME AND LOCATION				
	02 STREE	T, ROUTE NO., OR S	PECIFIC LOCATION IDENTIFIER	
Ol Site NAME (Legal, common, or descriptive name of site) General American Transport Corporation	450	) T 1 4 4 A		
Plant #1		D Euclid A	Venue 6 COUNTY	07 COUNTY 08 CONG
		1		CODE DIST
East Chicago  OB COORDINATES LATITUDE LONGITUDE	IN	46312	Lake	89 10
41° 38' 00". 87° 27' 30".				
10 DIRECTIONS TO SITE (Starting from nearest public road)		<i>a.</i> .	•	
I-94 to Kennedy Avenue north to Chicago				Euclid.
GATC on northwest corner of Chicago Ave	enue and	Euclid Av	enue.	
III DECONICIDI E DA DEIEC				
III. RESPONSIBLE PARTIES  O1 OWNER (If known)	IO2 STREE	T (Business, making, res	urientiel)	
	J	-		•
General American Transport Corporation		S. Rivers	106 Plaza	<del></del>
03 C// Y	0431212		( )	
Chicago	IL	60606		<u>. l </u>
07 OPERATOR (# known and different from owner)	08 21 HE	T (Business, mailing, res	iden(ia)	
09 CITY	10 STATE	11 ZIP CODE	12 TELEPHONE NUMBER	1
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13 TYPE OF OWNERSHIP (Check one)  XX A. PRIVATE D B. FEDERAL:		_ DC. STATE	Op county of the	LINICIDAL
(Agency name)	,			UNICIPAL
☐ F. OTHER:(Specify)		_ 🗀 G. UNKNO	OWN /	
14 OWNER/OPERATOR NOTIFICATION ON FILE (Check all that apply)			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
☐ A. RCRA 3001 DATE RECEIVED: / / ☐ B. UNCONTE	ROLLED WAST	E SITE (CERCLA 103	DATE RECEIVED:/_	DAY YEAR XXC. NONE
IV. CHARACTERIZATION OF POTENTIAL HAZARD				
01 ON SITE INSPECTION BY (Check all that apply)		vv.	C. STATE D. OTHER	
AAYES DATE JOY DE LOCAL HEALTH	. EPA CONTRA OFFICIAL [	SF.OTHER:	S. STATE LI D. OTHER	RCONTRACTOR
ONTRACTOR NAME			(Specify)	<del></del>
02 SITE STATUS (Check one) 03 YEARS OF C				
☐ A. ACTIVE ☐ B. INACTIVE ☐ C. UNKNOWN		05–2	$1-84$ $\square$ UNKNOW	VN
04 DESCRIPTION OF SUBSTANCES POSSIBLY PRESENT, KNOWN, OR ALLEGED	BEGINNING Y	AR ENDING Y	'EAR	
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None.				
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05 DESCRIPTION OF POTENTIAL HAZARD TO ENVIRONMENT AND/OR POPULATION				
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None.				
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V. PRIORITY ASSESSMENT				
01 PRIORITY FOR INSPECTION (Check one. If high or medium is checked, complete Part 2 - Wasti	e information and Pa	rt 3 - Description of Hazar	rdous Conditions and Incidents)	
☐ A. HIGH ☐ B. MEDIUM ☐ C. LOW  (Inspection required promptly) (Inspection required) (Inspect on	n (me available basi	XX D. NONE	er action needed, complete current dispo	osition form)
VI. INFORMATION AVAILABLE FROM	<del></del>		<del></del>	
01 CONTACT OR LINKER D2 OF IADONCHIO	(roanization)		<u> </u>	03 TELEPHONE NUMBER
J. J	ОСП.М			(317) 232-8928
04 PERSON RESPONSIBLE FOR ASSESSMENT 05 AGENCY	OSHWM 06 ORG	ANIZATION	07 TELEPHONE NUMBER	08 DATE
Bruce A. Oertel	OCIT	TM.	(317) 232-7130	05,16,89 MONTH DAY YEAR
Bruce A. Oertel #/ IDEM	OSHW	111	- 1 317 Z3Z~7130	MONTH DAY YEAR

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### POTENTIAL HAZARDOUS WASTE SITE PRELIMINARY ASSESSMENT

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PART 3 - DESCRIPTION OF HAZ	ARDOUS CONDITIONS AND INCIDENTS	<u> IIN I OU</u>	0/150/8
II. HAZARDOUS CONDITIONS AND INCIDENTS (Continued)			
01 ☐ J. DAMAGE TO FLORA 04 NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION	02 OBSERVED (DATE:)	☐ POTENTIAL	□ ALLEGED
None observed.			
01   K. DAMAGE TO FAUNA  O4 NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION (Include name(s) of species)	02 🗆 OBSERVED (DATE:)	D POTENTIAL	□ ALLEGED
None observed.			
01 □ L. CONTAMINATION OF FOOD CHAIN 04 NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION	02 OBSERVED (DATE:)	☐ POTENTIAL	☐ ALLEGED
None observed.			
01 DM. UNSTABLE CONTAINMENT OF WASTES	02   OBSERVED (DATE:)	☐ POTENTIAL	□ ALLEGED
(Spits/runoll/standing liquids/leaking drums) 03 POPULATION POTENTIALLY AFFECTED:	04 NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION		
None observed.			
01 □ N. DAMAGE TO OFFSITE PROPERTY 04 NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION	02 🗆 OBSERVED (DATE:)	☐ POTENTIAL	☐ ALLEGED
None observed.			
01 ☐ O. CONTAMINATION OF SEWERS, STORM DRAINS, WWTPs 04 NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION	02   OBSERVED (DATE:)	☐ POTENTIAL	☐ ALLEGED
None observed.			
01 ☐ P. ILLEGAL/UNAUTHORIZED DUMPING 04 NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION	02 OBSERVED (DATE:)	☐ POTENTIAL	ALLEGED
None observed.			
05 DESCRIPTION OF ANY OTHER KNOWN, POTENTIAL, OR ALLEG	ED HAZARDS	·	
None observed.			
III. TOTAL POPULATION POTENTIALLY AFFECTED:			
IV. COMMENTS			
RCRA closure included sampling of around the facility. Results indiarea was remediated and clean clos	icated one (1) lead contamin	in a number nated area.	of areas This
V. SOURCES OF INFORMATION (Cite specific references, e.g., state lifes, s.	ample analysis, reports;		
Mr. Miguel Antonetti, General Amer IDEM files.	rican Transport representati	ive.	

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# POTENTIAL HAZARDOUS WASTE SITE PRELIMINARY ASSESSMENT PART 3 - DESCRIPTION OF HAZARDOUS CONDITIONS AND INCIDENTS

I. IDENTIFICATION

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II. HAZARDOUS CONDITIONS AND INCIDENTS			
01   A. GROUNDWATER CONTAMINATION  03 POPULATION POTENTIALLY AFFECTED:	02 OBSERVED (DATE:) 04 NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION	☐ POTENTIAL	☐ ALLEGED
Groundwater is not utilized as a so	urce of municipal water sup	ру.	
01   B. SURFACE WATER CONTAMINATION 03 POPULATION POTENTIALLY AFFECTED:	02 OBSERVED (DATE:) 04 NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION	□ POTENTIAL	☐ ALLEGED
Site is located in close proximity less than one (<1) mile of Lake Mic		Site is a	lso located
less than one (\1) wife of Lake file	urgan.		
01  C. CONTAMINATION OF AIR 03 POPULATION POTENTIALLY AFFECTED:	02 OBSERVED (DATE:) 04 NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION	☐ POTENTIAL	☐ ALLEGED
An asbestos removal was performed a	s part of a RCRA closure.		
01 □ D. FIRE/EXPLOSIVE CONDITIONS 03 POPULATION POTENTIALLY AFFECTED:	02   OBSERVED (DATE:)  O4 NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION	☐ POTENTIAL	□ ALLEGED
None observed.			
01 ☐ E. DIRECT CONTACT 03 POPULATION POTENTIALLY AFFECTED:	02 ☐ OBSERVED (DATE:) 04 NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION	☐ POTENTIAL	☐ ALLEGED
Site is fenced around perimeter.			
01   F. CONTAMINATION OF SOIL 03 AREA POTENTIALLY AFFECTED:	02   OBSERVED (DATE:)  O4 NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION	□ POTENTIAL	☐ ALLEGED
Paint overspray of soil was removed	during RCRA clean-up.		
01 [] G. DRINKING WATER CONTAMINATION 03 POPULATION POTENTIALLY AFFECTED:	02 [] OBSERVED (DATE:) 04 NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION	D POTENTIAL	[] ALLEGED
N/A See A above.			
01 ☐ H. WORKER EXPOSURE/INJURY	02   OBSERVED (DATE:)	☐ POTENTIAL	□ ALLEGED
03 WORKERS POTENTIALLY AFFECTED:	04 NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION		
None observed.			
01 1. POPULATION EXPOSURE/INJURY 03 POPULATION POTENTIALLY AFFECTED:	02 C) OBSERVED (DATE:) 04 NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION	D POTENTIAL	□ ALLEGED
	O THE DESCRIPTION		
None observed.			

### PA-DOCUMENTATION

Site Name GOVERAL AMERICAN TRANSPORT CORP AKA(s) 6ATX
Address 4250 EULIO AUE
City E, C41CA60 State IN Zip 46312 County LAKE
EPA Identification Number 12000015018
Does the facility have a RCRA permit? Yes No Unknown
If the facility has a RCRA permit, does it cover all existing and former waste storage, transport, and/or disposal activities at the facility? Yes No Unknown
If no, describe what areas are not covered NO LONGER OWNER BY GATX. RCRA (LLAN CLOSED
IN FEBRUARY OF 1988.
POTENTIAL SOURCES OF INFORMATION
NOT NOT USED USED AVAILABUE
State Hazardous/Solid Waste Files State Water Files State Air Files State Department of Health State Geological Survey State Department of Natural Resources State Fire Marshall County Department of Health County Engineer County Clerk/Recorder of Deeds City Department of Health City Engineer City Fire Department/Fire Marshall City Water/Sewer Department U.S. Soil Conservation Service Others
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	Age:	RCRA CLOSURE CHRTIFIED	
	Capacity: NA	FUSRUMRY 1988	
	Period of Operation:		
	Waste Type: PHINT OUTESPRAY		
	Volume: werown	1)	
	Hazardous Constituents (attach separate shee	et): <u>LOTA</u>	
	Unit Description: PAINT STOP WAS	S USED TO PAINT NAME	
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	WAS CAUSE FOR CLOSURE ACTION, OUTESHAY
	ON WARLS WAS SANDBLASTED AND REMOVED BECAUSE
	OF LEAD CONTAMINATION, THERE ALE NO OTHER
	KNOWN REZEASES.
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4. Visual Site Inspection (VSI)

	1) IDENTIFY ALL SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT
	UNITS PRESENT AT THE FACILITY
	2) IDENTIFY CLOSED SWMU'S AT THE FACILITY
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	3) OBTAIN EUIDENCE OF PAST OF CURRENT HEERSES
	SHOULD SUCH BUIDDING EXIST
	4 NOTE AGE AND CONDITION OF SWANG
	- DIALLATE THE PATTONTIAL TO PRISON TO
	S EVALUATE THE POTENTIAL FOR RELEASE FROM REGULATED MUST UNREGULATED UNITS.
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### FACILITY VISUAL SITE INSPECTION FORM

Facility Name: GENERAL	AMERICAN TRANSPORTEPA I	.D Number: INS 000715078
Location Address: 4250	DEUCLID AVE EAS	T CHICAGO IN 46312
Facility Contact/Title:_	MIGUEL ANTONETTI	ISR. ENV. ENG
Phone Number: 312	-621-6390	
Date of Inspection: 5.	//⋅89 Time of Ins	pection: 9:00 A
Weather: 50° F 7	t CLOUDY	
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Person(s) Interviewed	-	Title
PICHARD DAGL 312-621-		DIR. EUV. AFFAIRS
Muguel Antonetti	<u>GATX</u>	SR. ENVIR. ENG
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Inspector(s)	Organization	Title
BRULE A DEXTEL	IDEM	ENVIRONMENTAL SCI.
BOB BLAESING	IDEM	ENV. SCI.
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•		TRANSPORT CORPORATION
(GATX) MANUFACTURE	O, REPAIRED, AND CLE	ANCO HOPPER TYPE RAIL
CARS. GATY CEASED	OPERATIONS ON MAY I	1 1989. POTENTIALLY
IHAZARDOUS WASTES QU	HC SENERALTO ONLY	IN THE SAINT SHOPS.
DURING CLOSURE OU	PESPRAY IN BLAG \$700	4 WAS REMOVED DUE
TO EP TOXIC LEAD LEVE	25-0F 19 mg/l. R	CRA CLOSURE WAS
CERTIFIED BY JOEM		

#### Visual Site Inspection Solid Waste Management Unit Description Form

#### UNIT CHARACTERISTICS:

Type of Unit- DRUM STAGING AREA

Age of Unit- UNKNOWN

Location of Unit- PARKING LOT SOUTH OF BUILDING 237

General Physical Condition of Unit- GOOP.

DRUWS WERE STORED ON A CONCRETE PAP.

Type of Wastes Placed In Unit- PAINT WASTES

Possible Migaration Pathways from this Unit- ADJACTUT SOILS

Observed Releases from Unit (describe) - NONE

RCRA CLOSURE ACTIVITIES INCLUDING SANPLING
INDICATED NO DISSTRUED RELEASE,

Proximity to Nearest Residence, Waterway, or other Exposure Potential-

Comments -

#### Visual Site Inspection Solid Waste Management Unit Description Form

### UNIT CHARACTERISTICS:

Type of Unit- PAINT SHOP

Age of Unit- UN KNOWN

Location of Unit- BULLDING \$ 204 (SEE FACILITY MAP)

General Physical Condition of Unit- PAINT SHOP WAS LOCATED IN
BUILDING \$ 704 WHICH HAS SINCE BEEN DEMOLISHED

Type of Wastes Placed In Unit- SHOP WALLS WERE COURED WITH PAINT OURSPRAY FROM PAINTING RAILCARS.

PAINT SHOP HAD PIET FLOOR.

Observed Releases from Unit (describe) - NONE OBSTRUED:

OUTRSPRAY WAS FOUND TO HAVE EP TOXIC LEAD LEVERS OF

19 mg/L, PAINT WAS SUBSTRUENTLY SANDBLASTED DRUMM

CAD REMOVED. UNIT WAS CLOANE CLOSED THRU RCRA

CLOSURE.

Proximity to Nearest Residence, Waterway, or other Exposure Extential-

Comments - UNIT WAS CLEAN CLOSED THRU RCRA CLOSURE.
BULLDING HAS SINCE BEEN DEMOLUTED.

RECOMMENDATIONS

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

The Preliminary Review and Visusal Site Inspection provided no evidence of current releases of hazardous materials by General American Transport to the environment. Sample data suggested a potential for release of lead to the environment in the Building #204 Paint Shop, however, RCRA closure activities mitigated that situation in 1987. The State of Indiana recommends no Sample Visit be performed at this facility.